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Dear me. dear me, it is dreadful!" And Mrs. Grayson

And Mrs caught up the pretty bodice of pretty break in question, and gave it a spiteful 1 tile

window, laughed. What can't be cured must be enured; there's no help for it, auntle,"

"Yes, there was help for it," cried the lady, tossing the bodice from her. you had taken my advice; but you must go and act like a simpleton! The idea of a girl of your age giving away her hard exprings, and then getting married without a decent change of clothing! I declare it is too absurd. And you are making such a good match, too! Charles Montague comes of one of the very best families in the country, and he will be very rich one

of these days."
"At which time, let us hope, scanty wardrobe will be replenished, said Kathie, merrily.

Her aunt frowned contemptaously

"But what are you to do now?" she went on. "What do you think Ara Montague of Oaklands will think of you when she sees your outfit?" of me to-day," answered Kathie,

stoutly. Mrs. Grayson laughed in scorn. Mrs. Grayson laughed in scorn.
"You poor little simpleton! Wait until you know the world as I know loved her, and had asked her to be it, and you'll change your tune I tell his wife. \$50,000 og. Kathie, appearance is everything. Your bridegroom himself will feel ashamed of you when he sees you in the midst of his stately sisters, in the grand rooms of Oaklands." Kathie winced, but she answered

> "I don't believe Charlie will ever feel ashamed of me. Wait until he sees you in your very shabby garments.

"Very shabby garments!" said Kathie, opening her bright brown eyes, "My garments are not shabby, auntie. I am quite sure I never looked shabby in my whole life." Mrs. Grayson glanced at her trim.

graceful little figure. The close-fitting blue merino was faultless; the linen ouffs and collar were spotless as snow. Kathie was right; she never looked shabby. Her garments seemed to be part and parcel of herself, like the glossy feathers and black tuft of a canary. Yet these same garments were usually made of all sorts of odds and ends, for Kathie was poor, and obliged to be rigidly economical. But she was possessed of that tact, or tal-

her own person, 'a thing of beauty and a joy forever." nd a joy forever." instant. Her hard earnings went to Mrs. Grayson, Kathie's well-to-do pay the debt. girls of her own, who trailed their silks in the dust, tumbled their lace, and plumes and looked dowdy all the while, regarded the trim same thing again. She did not doubt

and you understand the act of getting yourseif up in good style. What you've got will do well enough, but there's so little of it. Your bridal outfit is shameful, upon my word. What will you do for carriage dresses, and dinner dresses and evening dresses, when you are Charles Monta-gue's wife? Why, when I was a bride, had everything; a round dozen of silks of every hue, poplins, merinos, tissues, and half a dezen sorts of wraps, I didn't go to James Grayson bare of clothes, I can tell you."
Kathie said nothing. She bent over her ruffles, her bright eyes dim with

tears. "Such a simpleton as you've been," her aunt continued, "after tolling and teaching for your money, to turn round and give it away! I deciare, it puts me out of temper to think of it." "What else could I do?" the girl burst out passionately. "Could I see poor George's cottage sold over his head, and he and his wife and chil-

iren turned out into the street?"
"Assuredly," answered the lady, coolly, "he could have rented a bouse easy enough. In your place, I should have kept my money in my pocket; but you wouldn't listen to my advice. You are sorry for it now, no doubt."
"I are not sorry for it. I would do
the same thing to morrow. I'm glad

I had the money to pay poor brother leorge's debt, and I don't care if I do took shabby."
"Very well, I shall try not to care,

wither. I shall not help you; I told you that from the beginning; I can't afford it. and even if I could I should not feel unfolded the package. Folded coupon t my duty. You would be headstrong and senseless; you must bear the con-sequences. I'll give you some lace for your nees and sieeves, and you may wear the garnet set of Josephine's." don't want the lace: I've some belongs to mamma; and I

wouldn't wear Josephine's jewelry for anything. "Oh! very well, don't snap my head I beg; you needn't wear them. Much thanks one gets for trying to assist you. You won't wear my hat, either, I suppose; how about that?

"I have plenty of trimmings; I shall trim that light felt I were last "And your jacket? Where's that to come from, pray?"

Kathle's tears were gone, her brown

eyes flashed like tars. I intend to make myself a jacket of grandfather's old coat," she replied. Her aunt threw back her head and

laughed heartily.
Grandfather's old coat! Oh, that is too good! What would Mrs. Montague of Oaklands say to that? Kathle, child, what a goose you are!"

Kathie threw aside her ruffles, and,

going to the clothes press, brought out the old coat. "The material is very fine," she said, "and this rich, old-fashioned fur will cut luto nice strips for trimming;

I can make a handsome jacket out of it, and I think," she added softly. "grandpa would like me to have it, if he knew." "Grandpa, indeed!" echoed Mrs.
"ayson. "I should think you'd have but little respect for his memory after the manner he treated your never

leaving you a penny after you nursed him and slaved for him as you did."
"I think he intended to leave me something, said Kathie. "I know he did, but he died so suddenly-and there was some mistake." Oh nonsense! He had lots of money—everybody knows that; it has all gone to that scapegrace, Dugaid, and you haven t a single shilling now Oklahoma. all gone to that scapegrace, Dugald, and you haven to single shilling now

Anthie, her cheeks blooming like a

'Won't he?" Don't tell me, child! Every one thought you would be old Iom Rowland's helress when you first met him. Ten to one he'd never have given you a second thought but for that Now that he's disappointed he's too much of a man to back out, of course, but he feels it all the same Don't tell me!"

Kathle uttered no word in answer. she took the old coat, and, crossing to the window, sal down to rip it apart. Her wedding day was drawing near, there was no time to lose. Mrs. Grayson settled herself on the lonings for her afternoon nam, the big Maltess cat purred on the rug, the canary charped lazily in the cage, and without above the waving line of the wooded ridge, the December sunset glowed.

Kath'e began to rip the looselys stitched seams, her pretty, fresh free looking sad and downcast Aunt Grayson's word-wise talk had put her out of heart. All her life she had out of heart. All her life one had been such a brave, sweet little soul.

Left an orphan early, she had lived with her grandfather, and made his Guaranteed. Prompt and Eifficient Service.

"You're a dear child, Kathie; by-and-ty when you think of being a bride, I'll give you a welding dowry." He had said so a dozen times, yet, after his sudden death one midwinter night, there was no mention of Kathie found in the will, and so everything went to Dugald, the son by a second

Kuthie did not complain, but it cut West of Capitol National Bank Building. her to the heart to think that grandpa had forgotten her. She tried not to believe it; there was some mistake. And when Dagald sold out the old homestead and went off to America, she gathered up all the souvenirs and "Not one whit less than she thinks trimmed overcoat was one.

me to-day," answered Kathie, outly.

Then, lodging at her aunt's, she taught the village children, and



The wedding-day was appointed, and Kathie was beginning with a fluttering heart to think about making Kathie heard, and did not hesitate an

She did not regret her go little figure by the window with a her handsome, high-bo n lover's truth, half - admiring, half - contemptuous smile. her clear, bright eyes. You're rather a pretty girl, Kathie, It was hard to be cramped for ittle money and her wedding day was so near. Her wardrobe was limited. She needed a nice seal brown cashinere dreadfully, and a light sill son told the truth; she would look shabby in the grand rooms at Oak lands, in the midst of Charlie's stately

The tears came faster, and presently the little pearl-handled knife, with which she was ripping the seams, slipped anddenly and out a great gash eight across the broast of the coat. Kathie gave a shrick of dismay.

There, now, I've spailed the best of the cloth! I can't get my jacket att. What shall I do? Down went the bright young head, and, with her face buried in grandpa's ald coat. Kathie cried as if her heart

would break. Mcs Gravson snored or the lounge, the Maltese cat purred before the hearth, the canary twittered. ind out, above the winter hills, the sunset fires burned. Her cry out, Kathie raised her head,

dried her eyes, and went on with her ripping. Something rustled under her Why, what's this? Some of grand-

pa's papers, as sure as I live! She tore the lining loose, and there, beneath the wadding, was a package done up in parchment and tied with red tape. Kathie drew it forth. On one side was marked: This package belongs to my granddaughter, Kathie "Why, what can it be?" cried

At last the knot yielded, and she unfolded the package. Folded compon bends—a round dozen at least—and a thick layer of crisp bank notes. On top a little note. She read it:

day some fine fellow will claim you for his wife. You are a treasure in yourself, but take this from old vandpa.

On, grandra, you did not forget me?" sobbed Kathie. A ring at the door startled her. She looked out and saw her lover Gathering her treasures into the lap of her ruffled apron, she cushed out to meet him

"Oh. Charlie, come in quick! I've some wonderful news to tell you!" The young man followed her into the drawing-room, wondering what had happened

"Oh, Charley!" she cried, breath-lessly, holding up her apron, her eyes shining, her cheeks aglaw; "you see, I am'rich! I've found my marriage dowry! A few minutes ago I was ery dowry! A few minutes ago I was a ing because I was so poor I had to give George all my money, and I've only one silk, and I had to trim my old hat over, and austic laughed at me so, and said you would feel me so, and said you would real ashamed of me. I was cuttler up grandpa's old overcoat to make a jacket, and I found this! Only see ten thousand dollars! Oh. Charlie

I'm so glad for your sake!"
"My darling," he said, his voice thrilling with tenderness. I am glad of all this because you are glad. For my own part, I would rather have taken this darling little hand without a penny in it. You need no dowry Kathie; you are crowned with beaut and purity and goodness. In my eyes you are always fresh and fair and lovely, no matter what you wear. love you for your own sweet self, my

Kuthic let the folded coupons and ing her head against his should for your wedding dowry." ing her hea-

"Glad of what, Kathle-grandpa's

dowry?" The young man bent down and kissed the sweet, tremulous mouth. No. glad you love me for myself." He clasped her closely, and at their feet grandpa's marriage-dowry lay

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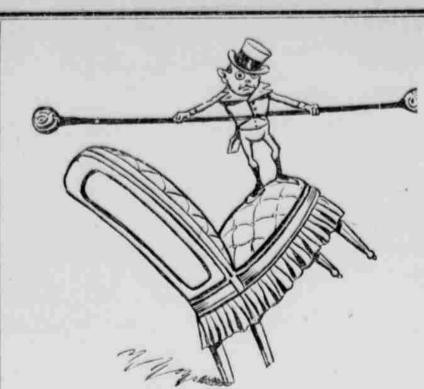
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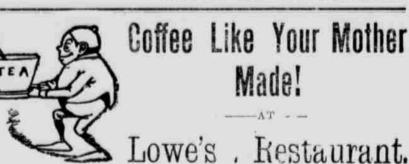
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